

## AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the abstract on the page after the claims with the following rewritten version:

### "ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

#### DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A CONTAINER AND CONTAINER EQUIPPED THEREWITH

~~This container (1) is, in particular, a container made of composite material intended to contain a fluid under pressure, and having a cylindrical side wall (1a) and rounded ends (1b), commonly known as "domes".~~

~~The device (2) comprises:~~

- ~~—a shell (10) made of a puncture-resistant material, shaped to envelope at least the entirety of a dome (1b) of the container (1), delimiting a space between its interior face and the exterior face of the wall of the container (1); and~~
- ~~—a compressible material (11) capable of deadening a knock or impact, filling the entirety of the aforementioned space.~~

#### Figure 1

Disclosed are a device for protecting a container and a container equipped therewith. The container is, in particular, a container made of composite material intended to contain a fluid under pressure, and having a cylindrical side wall and rounded ends forming a dome. The device includes a shell made of a puncture-resistant material, shaped to envelope at least the entirety of the dome of the container, delimiting a space between an interior face of the shell and an exterior face of the wall of the container, and a compressible element capable of deadening a knock or impact, disposed in the space."